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1. AS REPORTED REFTEL, THE INTEREST EXPRESSED BY THE ITALIAN MISSION IN VIENNA IN PURSUING THE ARTICLE 25(B) OPTION REFLECTS MORE OPTIMISM THAN IS WARRANTED WITH RESPECT TO THE GERMAN POSITION ON THE ISSUE. IN A DISCUSSION WITH A FRG FONOFF OFFICIAL ON JANUARY 20, IT
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WAS MADE VERY CLEAR TO US THAT THE GERMANS WILL UNDER

NO CIRCUMSTANCES AGREE TO THE ITALIAN 25 (B) PLOY.

2. THE FRG OBJECTS TO SUCH AN APPROACH BOTH ON POLITICAL AND JURIDICAL GROUNDS. THE FRG BELIEVES THAT SHOULD IT AGREE TO THE 25(B) APPROACH, OTHER ARTICLES OF THE IAEA-EURATOM VERIFICATION AGREEMENT MIGHT BE AFFECTED AS WELL. WERE THIS THE CASE, ANY SUCH AMENDMENT OF THE AGREEMENT WOULD HAVE TO BE APPROVED BY THE BUNDESTAG AND BUNDESRAT. A REVIEW OF GERMAN ADHERENCE TO THE NPT AND VERIFICATION AGREEMENT WOULD PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE VOCAL CDU/CSU OPPOSITION TO ATTACK THE GOVERNMENT. THIS IS SOMETHING THE FONOFF WANTS TO AVOID AT ALL COSTS. FINALLY, OUR SOURCE SAID THE EC COMMISSION IN BRUSSELS HAD NEVERGREETED TO THE 25(B) APPROACH.
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